

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Cancelled).

2. (Currently Amended) The apparatus as claimed in claim ~~13~~,
wherein said apparatus further comprising comprises:

_____ user control means for setting the preferred parameter
level to be input into said parameter control means, wherein said
5 preferred parameter level is selected by a user from a plurality of
parameter levels.

3. (Currently Amended) ~~The apparatus as claimed in claim 1~~An
apparatus for processing signals, comprising:

_____ parameter control means for controlling a parameter of
said signals, said parameter control means computing adjustments to
5 said parameter as a function of both (i) a preferred parameter
level for the parameter and (ii) at least one of: a current ambient
factor and a property of said signals;

_____ first indicator means for presenting a first level
indicator which is indicative of said computed adjustments; and

10 _____ second indicator means for presenting a second level
indicator which is indicative of the preferred parameter level,
wherein said signals comprise video signals, wherein said parameter

comprises a picture parameter, and wherein said current ambient factor comprises ambient light.

4. (Currently Amended) A television receiver comprising an apparatus as claimed in claim ~~4~~3.

5. (Cancelled).

6. (Currently Amended) ~~The method as claimed in claim 5A~~
method for processing signals, comprising the steps of:

controlling a parameter of said signals by computing
adjustments to the parameter as a function of both (i) a preferred
5 parameter level for the parameter and (ii) at least one of: a
current ambient factor and a property of said signals;

presenting a first level indicator which is indicative of
said computed adjustments; and

presenting a second level indicator which is indicative of
10 the preferred parameter level,

wherein said method further comprising comprises the steps of:

selecting the preferred parameter level from a plurality
of parameter levels; and

setting said selected preferred parameter level.

7. (Cancelled).

8. (Currently Amended) The apparatus as claimed in claim 72, wherein said picture parameter comprises one of: luminance, contrast, and brightness saturation.

9. (Previously Presented) The apparatus as claimed in claim 3, wherein said picture parameter comprises one of: luminance, contrast, and brightness saturation.

10. (Cancelled).

11. (Previously Presented) A television receiver comprising an apparatus as claimed in claim 3.

12. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 6, wherein said signals comprise video signals, wherein said parameter comprises a picture parameter, and wherein said current ambient factor comprises ambient light.

13. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 12, wherein said picture parameter comprises one of: luminance, contrast, and brightness saturation.

14. (Currently Amended) ~~The method as claimed in claim 5A~~
method for processing signals, comprising the steps of:

controlling a parameter of said signals by computing
adjustments to the parameter as a function of both (i) a preferred
5 parameter level for the parameter and (ii) at least one of: a
current ambient factor and a property of said signals;

presenting a first level indicator which is indicative of
said computed adjustments; and

presenting a second level indicator which is indicative of
10 the preferred parameter level,

wherein said signals comprise video signals, wherein said parameter
comprises a picture parameter, and wherein said current ambient
factor comprises ambient light.

15. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 14,
wherein said wherein said picture parameter comprises one of:
luminance, contrast, and brightness saturation.

16. (Cancelled).

17. (Previously Presented) A method of operating a television
receiver comprising a method as claimed in claim 6.

18. (Currently Amended) ~~The method of operating a television receiver as claimed in claim 16~~ A method of operating a television receiver comprising a method for processing signals, comprising the steps of:

5 controlling a parameter of said signals by computing adjustments to the parameter as a function of both (i) a preferred parameter level for the parameter and (ii) at least one of: a current ambient factor and a property of said signals;

presenting a first level indicator which is indicative of
10 said computed adjustments; and

presenting a second level indicator which is indicative of the preferred parameter level,

wherein said signals comprise video signals, wherein said parameter comprises a picture parameter, and wherein said current ambient
15 factor comprises ambient light.

19. (Previously Presented) The method of operating a television receiver as claimed in claim 18, wherein said wherein said picture parameter comprises one of: luminance, contrast, and brightness saturation.

20. (Previously Presented) The method of operating a television receiver as claimed in claim 17, wherein said signals comprise video signals, wherein said parameter comprises a picture

parameter, and wherein said current ambient factor comprises
5 ambient light.

21. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of Claim ~~13~~, wherein the first level indicator continuously follows the computed adjustments as the computed adjustments vary,

22. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of Claim ~~13~~, wherein the first level indicator indicates a combined effect of the preferred parameter level and the at least one of: the current ambient factor and the property of the signals.

23. (Cancelled).